



The United States Army Field Band

Volunteers

*The Musical Ambassadors of the Army
Washington, DC*

The Volunteers is the United States Army's premier touring show band. This talented and entertaining group of five military musicians is a component of The United States Army Field Band from Washington, DC. Other components of the Field Band include the Concert Band, the Soldiers' Chorus, and the Jazz Ambassadors. Known as the Musical Ambassadors of the Army, the internationally acclaimed Field Band travels thousands of miles each year presenting a variety of music to enthusiastic audiences across the United States and abroad.

Since its inception in 1981, the Volunteers has entertained audiences in all fifty states, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Nicaragua, Belgium and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Performances have included Mardi Gras in New Orleans, the Indianapolis 500, Nashville Now, the Calgary Stampede, and many state fairs and festivals across the country.

These musicians are equally at home performing before an outdoor crowd of 100,000, in formal concert settings, or at a hospital bedside. They have entertained audiences of all ages in venues ranging from state fair main stages and school auditoriums to senior citizen centers and children's hospitals. For outstanding support of the Army's community relations program, the members of the Volunteers have received the Army Community Relations Award of Excellence.

Performances by the Volunteers have been described as "outstanding entertainment with energy and inspiration." The entire family will be entertained and inspired by their exciting blend of popular American music, including rock 'n' roll, standards, country, jazz, and patriotic.

HIGHLIGHTS

GOLDEN OLDIES—The Volunteers take you on a serenade down memory lane. Songs such as "You Are The Sunshine Of My Life," "Misty," and more are sure to rekindle fond memories.

RHYTHM AND BLUES—This segment includes music for the young and the young at heart. Featuring Motown hits from Luther Vandross, Stevie Wonder, and others, these R&B favorites will surely be enjoyed by all.

PATRIOTIC—A military band concert would not be complete without patriotic music. Contemporary songs arranged by the Volunteers include the music of Lee Greenwood and Irving Berlin. The Volunteers also feature a musical salute to the past and present members of our armed forces.



THE MISSION of The United States Army Field Band is to "carry into the grassroots of our country the story of our magnificent Army."

In performances across America and throughout the world, the men and women of this organization take great pride in reflecting the excellence of all our nation's soldiers.

YOUR COMMENTS about our program are greatly appreciated and may be sent by e-mail to fldbnd@emh1.ftmeade.army.mil or to the following address:

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VOLUNTEERS PERSONNEL

Sergeant Major Jesse Powers of Newport News, Virginia, is **Electric Bassist, Vocalist, and Director of the Volunteers**. After entering the Army in 1971, he served in six other military bands before his assignment to the Field Band in 1986: the 384th Army Band in Virginia; the 25th Infantry Division Band in Hawaii; the 5th Infantry Division Band in Louisiana; the U.S. Continental Army Band in Virginia; the 2nd Infantry Division Band in Korea; and the 282nd Army Band in South Carolina.

Sergeant Major Parris Spivey of Buffalo, New York, is the **Volunteers' Assistant Director, Guitarist, Vocalist, and Chief Arranger**. Since joining the Army in 1976, he has played in the 25th Infantry Division Band at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii; the 392nd Army Band at Fort Lee, Virginia; and the 1st U.S. Army Band at Fort Meade, Maryland. He joined the Field Band in 1989.

Master Sergeant Morris Foor of Jacksonville, Florida, is the **Volunteers' Drummer**. During his twenty years of service he has served with the Army Ground Forces Band at Atlanta, Georgia; the 25th Infantry Division Band at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii; and the 283rd Army Band at Fort Benning, Georgia. MSG Foor earned his Bachelor of Music degree from Jacksonville University and a Master of Music degree from Columbus State University.

Sergeant First Class Kirk Kadish of Melvindale, Michigan, is the group's **Keyboardist**. He entered the Army in 1990, serving on the faculty of the Armed Forces School of Music in Norfolk, Virginia. He was assigned to the Field Band in 1994. SFC Kadish earned his Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Michigan in 1977 and a Master of Music degree from Towson University in 1999.

Staff Sergeant Danan Healy of State College, Pennsylvania, performs as the **Lead Singer** with the Volunteers. A classical singer by trade, she started out in the Soldiers' Chorus of The U.S. Army Field Band in 2000. Her degrees are from Southern Methodist University and The Eastman School of Music.

Staff Sergeant John Lamirande of Baldwinsville, New York, is the **Volunteers' Audio Engineer**. He joined the Army in 1986, and served as a bassist, guitarist, pianist, and vocalist with bands at Ford Drum, New York; Fort Devens, Massachusetts; Fort Sill, Oklahoma; and Bad Kreuznach, Germany.



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